

LOGNOTE -- Chief, Operations Group, 28 January 1983

1. [] called to say that the bureau was experiencing a predictable number of technical hitches with the pressfax machine but had not encountered any severe problems and was making progress. He mentioned that the recorders need some realignment (to be expected) and that they had found the Ampex tape they had been sent not suitable for high speed operation. This is being replaced. He also complained that the darkroom was too dark and that the Kodak people were coming out today to see if they could improve conditions. [] said they had not yet been able to complete a full pressfax run, but were trying again today and over the weekend.

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I said that I thought they were making excellent progress, faster than we had expected, that we didn't want them to have to relive all the growing pains Okinawa had gone through. So, if they needed to call for help, they should not hesitate and we would have someone on a plane pronto.

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[] also expressed satisfaction with both the London Bureau and Okinawa staffing assignments. He was pleased to learn that [] would be staying on as Okinawa Chief Editor.

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